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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 19 June 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-3,8-13 and 18-23 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-3,8-13 and 18-23 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 5/14/2005 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

2. Claims 1-3, 8, 10-13, 18, and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by over Funyu (US 6320587).

3. Regarding claims 1, 11, and 21, Funyu discloses a computing system, method, and storage medium, said computing system comprising:

a communication link for bi-directionally providing a communication channel between a host computing device and a companion computing device (*figure 1 shows a bidirectional communication between client and sever*), wherein said host computing device has access to at least one database in which a plurality of language elements are stored in bitmap representation (*server in figure 1B storing multimedia data*);

wherein said companion computing device comprises a display device (*Display Unit 23 in figure 1B*) and further comprises a control device for transmitting a request for one of said plurality of language elements to said host computing device over said communication link (*col. 6, lines 36-41 or col. 10, lines 43-67*));

wherein said host computing device responds to a receipt of said request for the requested language element by retrieving from said at least one database the bitmap representation that corresponds to the requested language element (*col. 10, lines 49-53, receiving a document media, which may include text, audio, and image data; also referring to col. 10, lines 24-38, each font includes character code, character size, and bitmap data*), wherein said host computing device transmits to said companion computing device the retrieved bitmap representation of the requested language element over said communication link for display on said companion display device (*WWW server, (31, FIG. 2a) which downloads fonts, which includes bitmap data, to the client device (Col. 7, lines 58-62)*), wherein said language element is a symbol representative of a complete message to be presented on said display device as part of a user interface of the companion computing device (*col. 8, lines 18-26*), wherein said message is comprised of at least multiple characters of arbitrary language (*col. 8, line 59 to col. 9, line 25*), wherein said complete message is formatted for display device (*col. 8, lines 23-25*), and wherein said companion computing device, without conversion from character codes to graphic elements, present said bitmap representation as a full screen image on said display device (*col. 10, lines 27-38, each font data is composed of character code, character size, and bitmap data. These data control how the received document media should look like on the screen of the companion device. There is no conversion from character codes to graphic elements*).

4. Regarding claims 2-3, 12-13, and 22, Funyu further discloses wherein said complete message further comprises a character set or a graphic icon (*document media 13 or image media 14 in figure 1B*), wherein individual ones of a plurality of said databases are each associated with a specific language (*col. 9, lines 11-17*).

5. Regarding claims 8, 18, and 23, Funyu further discloses that the companion computing device stores the image representation transmitted from said host computing device for later use (*col. 8, lines 2-4*).

6. Regarding claims 10 and 20, Funyu further discloses that the communication link is a wired or wireless (*col. 5, lines 44-67, Internet communication is inherently either wired or wireless*).

7. Claims 9 and 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Funyu (US 6320587) in view of Official Notice.

8. Regarding claims 9 and 19, Funyu suggests that a user terminal can be a PDA (*Col. 2, lines 14-16*), but fails to specifically disclose that the companion computing device comprises a digitizer input system having an electronic pen or stylus for handwritten information. However, examiner takes the official notice that it is extremely well known that a typical PDA comprises an electronic pen/stylus for the input of handwritten information.

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Funyu to use a PDA with a styluses/electronic pens, as these are exactly the limited capacity processing devices that this invention attempts to improve (*col. 6, lines 19-25*) by offloading font processing to dedicated servers.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Marmor (US 6601108) teaches a font conversion system that is considered pertinent to the claimed invention.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Huyen X. Vo whose telephone number is 571-272-7631. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 9-5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Richemond Dorvil can be reached on 571-272-7602. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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